

Dear FCC:

I am writing to request that the rules concerning media ownership be kept as they are. To increase the market share that a media company may have, which is already quite large, is to stifle competition. Our capitalist system will suffer if large media companies are allowed to become larger. Small companies will be pushed out of the market, and the quality of broadcasting will deteriorate due to lack of competition, which keeps companies on their toes.

Also, to allow media companies to increase market share will stifle public debate over the issues of the day. Fewer media companies will mean fewer viewpoints in public discussion. Democracy will be harmed, and political freedom will be reduced. This can not be allowed to occur.

Please keep the media ownership rules as they are. Please do not change them at all, as that would only do damage to our country. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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